

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (previously amended) A method for treating inflammatory musculoskeletal connective tissue disorders comprising the steps of:

providing a low frequency sonic transducer;

immersing said low frequency sonic transducer in an interior of a liquid-containing container and below an upper surface of a liquid in said liquid-containing container;

positioning a person having an inflammatory musculoskeletal connective tissue disorder a therapeutically beneficial distance from said container; and

exposing said person for a therapeutically beneficial period of time to acoustic waves from said low frequency sonic transducer at a therapeutically beneficial frequency;

wherein said therapeutically beneficial frequency is between approximately four hundred and eight hundred Hertz.

2. (cancelled)

3. (previously amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein said therapeutically beneficial distance is approximately one foot from said container.

4. (previously amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein said therapeutically beneficial distance is approximately five feet from said container.

5. (previously amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein said therapeutically beneficial distance is approximately ten feet from said container.

6. (previously amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein said therapeutically beneficial distance is approximately twenty feet from said container.

7. (original) The method of Claim 1 wherein said therapeutically beneficial period of time is between approximately two seconds and one hour.

8. (original) The method of Claim 7 wherein said therapeutically beneficial period of time is between approximately fifteen minutes and forty-five minutes.

9. (original) The method of Claim 8 wherein said therapeutically beneficial period of time is between approximately twenty minutes and thirty minutes.

10. (original) The method of Claim 9 wherein said therapeutically beneficial period of time is approximately twenty-five minutes.

11. (cancelled)

12. (cancelled)

13. (currently amended) The method of Claim 1 ~~12~~ wherein said therapeutically beneficial frequency is approximately 600 Hertz.

14. (previously amended) A method for inflammatory musculoskeletal connective tissue disorders comprising the steps of:

providing a low frequency sonic transducer;

immersing said low frequency sonic transducer in an interior of a liquid-containing container and below an upper surface of a liquid in said liquid-containing container;

positioning a person having an inflammatory musculoskeletal connective tissue disorder a therapeutically beneficial distance from said container; and

exposing said person for between approximately fifteen minutes and forty-five minutes to acoustic waves from said low frequency sonic transducer at approximately six hundred Hertz.

15. (original) The method of Claim 14 wherein said person has arthritis.

16. (original) The method of Claim 14 wherein said person has polymyositis.

17. (original) The method of Claim 14 wherein said person has one of muscle cramps, muscle spasms, and muscle tension.

18. (original) The method of Claim 14 wherein said person has one of menstrual cramping and endometrial pain.

19. (original) The method of Claim 14 wherein said person has bursitis.

20. (original) The method of Claim 14 wherein said person has stress.

21. (cancelled)